

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicant: Roy R. Vann  
Serial No: Pending  
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For: Reciprocating Pump Dump Valve

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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL**

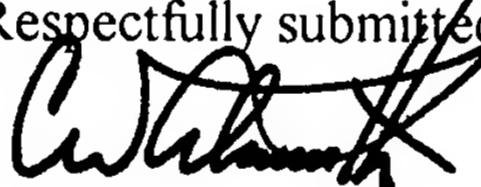
The Commission of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully petitions the Patent and Trademark Office to Make Special the attached application under 37 CFR 1.102(c) because of his age; namely applicant is over 65 years of age.

The Applicant submits the attached Declaration giving his date of birth.

Respectfully submitted,



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